


Amendment to the Claims

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 12 and 13. (Cancelled)

 Claim 20. (New) A workpiece surface-gripping device attachable to the outer end of an elongate, ribbon-like and generally planar linear measuring tape possessing a long axis comprising a generally bottle-cap shaped circular body having (a) a substantially circular, planar central body expanse possessing a substantially circular perimeter, and (b) an elongate, substantially annular and continuous perimeter rim structure projecting substantially normally in one direction from and relative to said body expanse, with said rim structure taking the form of a single curved row of projecting, side-by-side adjacent, workpiece-gripping teeth distributed along the full length of said perimeter, said teeth being the only workpiece-gripping teeth in the device, and

snap-fit mounting structure joined to said body expanse substantially centrally relative to the body expanse's said perimeter, said mounting structure accommodating releasable, captured mounting of the device on such a tape at a location adjacent the tape's outer end, and in such a manner that, when the device is so mounted, said teeth, substantially circumsurround the tape's long axis, with the teeth projecting from the plane of said body expanse toward that tape.